Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash Involving Pedestrian-Bear

Bear- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash involving a pedestrian that occurred last evening.

The incident occurred on September 24, 2019 at approximately 11:07 p.m., when a 2006 Dodge Charger was traveling westbound in the right lane on Pulaski Highway (US RT 40), east of Holly Avenue. A pedestrian was attempting to cross westbound on US RT 40 from an unknown direction, not in a designated crosswalk. The pedestrian crossed directly into the path of the Charger and was subsequently struck.

The operator of the Charger, a 34-year-old male from Bear, DE, was properly restrained, remained on scene, and did not sustain injury.

The pedestrian, a 49-year-old female from New Castle, DE, was wearing dark clothing with no reflective gear and not carrying a flashlight. She was pronounced deceased at the scene and her name is being withheld at this time pending the notification of next of kin.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov

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